

REMARKS / ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-6 and 14-19 remain pending in the present application. Claims 7-13 are canceled by this amendment. Claims 14-19 have been added.

Applicant appreciates the Examiner's notification that claims 5 and 6 would be allowable "if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims." Applicant has acted accordingly and claims 5 and 6 are believed to be in condition for allowance.

Applicant has had a telephone exchange with the Examiner so that Applicant understands that the Office Action's recitation of the "Inoue" reference is a typographical error and that all occurrences of the name "Inoue" (e.g., on pages 5 and 6 of the Office Action) should be replaced by the reference name "Isoe".

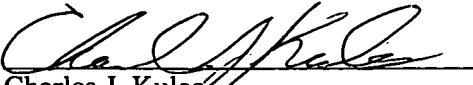
Claims 1, 5, 14 and 16 are the only independent claims in the application. Claim 5 should be allowable as indicated, above. Claims 1, 14 and 16 each include limitations not disclosed by, nor made obvious in view of, the prior art. Claim 14 includes limitations similar to those in the indicated allowable claim 5 and should also be allowable.

Claim 16 is a method claim that is analogous to claim 1. Claims 1 and 16 each include specific derivation and use of Y, C and YUV "formatted" signals that are combined by a "mixer" into a "combined signal". The combined signal is converted "into an RGB signal for output." Additional dependent claims include further limitations of, e.g., a "timing signal that causes the mixer to select portions of the Y formatted signal, the C formatted signal and the YUV formatted signal."

Accordingly, the present claims are in condition for allowance and Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case. If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 415-279-5098.

Respectfully submitted,

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